REFERRAL GUIDE

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Most of these services, agencies, and organizations, are used and printed on the brochure of the Alternative School, School for Applied Technology (S.A.T.) a Miami-Dade County (MDCPS) school. The School Counselor uses these services on as needed basis for the student in need. These listings are also used on a large scale by most residents/citizens and businesses.

*Services and agencies used by S.A.T. for students and parents*

1. Community Health of South Florida, Inc. (CHI)

Brotus Hartley, President

10300 SW 216 Street

Miami, FL 33190

305-252-4853

[www.chisouthfl.org](http://www.chisouthfl.org)

This is a non-profit health organization, providing affordable quality primary and behavioral health care services to the residents of rapidly growing South Florida.

CHI operates seven (7) state of the art primary care centers, seventeen (17) school based programs. All centers offer quality comprehensive primary and behavioral health care services. Our physicians are board certified or board eligible. Additionally, CHI is accredited by the Joint Commission (CHI, 2009).

* Primary care
* Additional primary
* Behavioral health
* transportation

2. Citrus Health Network of Miami

Mario Jardon, CEO

4175 W 20 Avenue, main office

305-825-0300

<http://www.citrushealth.org/citrushealth.htm>

At Citrus Health Network, Inc. (CHN) we care about people and we believe the best approach to wellness involves treating both the body and mind. This approach to health care addresses the whole person by integrating behavioral services into primary care. By combining the expertise of primary care (adult, family practice, pediatric) and mental health professionals, the integrated health care team is able to treat the whole person to ensure that each individual’s needs are identified and met. For this reason, we offer a full range of health care services. Whether a person needs medical or behavioral health care, our compassionate, dedicated staff is here to help (CHN, 2009).

* primary and preventive health care services
* behavioral/mental health
* psychology training
* housing

3. 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project

Dr. Frederica Wilson, State Senator

School Board Administration Building   
1450 NE 2nd Avenue Rm 227   
Miami, FL, 33132   
(305) 995-2451

<http://5000rolemodels.dadeschools.net/>

The project’s mission is to intervene in the lives of at-risk boys, in order to provide them with alternatives that will lead them from a life of crime and violence. The goal is to instill in the youth, the values of mainstream America, while respecting the existing values of the individual. Their mantra is an African proverb, **“***It takes an entire village to ‘educate’ one child***,”** this is our motto and creed (5000 Role Models, 2009).

4. Career Education Clubs of Florida

An Affiliate of Business Professionals of America (BPA)

Bill Siegmeister, Representative

Region 5, Braddock High

3601 SW 147 Ave

Miami, FL  33185

School 305-225-9729

Email:  [Bsiegmeister@bellsouth.net](mailto:Bsiegmeister@bellsouth.net)

<http://www.cecf.org/index_files/>

This organization is the leading CTSO (Career Technical Student Organization) for students pursuing careers in business management, office administration, information technology, and other related career fields (CECF, 2009).  
  
BPA supports business and information technology educators by offering curriculum based on national standards. Resources and materials are available on-line and designed to be customized to a school's program (BPA, 2009).

5. Florida Kid Care

P.O. Box

Tallahassee, FL 32302-0980

1-888-540-5437

[www.floridakidcare.org](http://www.floridakidcare.org)

This organization is a child health insurance a parent may be able to afford. It is perhaps the most economical next to Medicaid health insurance. The Department of Children and Family is a liaison between Florida Kid Care and Medicaid (Florida Kid Care, 2009).

6. Title I

Mr. Alberto M. Carvalho, Associate Superintendent

1450 N.E. 2nd Avenue, Room 500

Miami, FL 33132

305-995-1253

<http://www.ncpublicschools.org/nclb/titleI/>

Title I is the cornerstone of No Child Left Behind. Title I’s mantra is: Improving the academic achievement of all students. It ensures all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach proficiency on challenging State academic achievement standards and assessments. Some goals of Title I include meeting the educational needs of children in the nations’ highest-poverty schools, and closing the achievement gap. Title I include the use of school-wide programs or additional services, and promote school-wide reform and give parents opportunities to participate in their children’s education (Title 1, 2009).

7. Communities in Schools of Miami, Inc. (CIS)

Elizabeth Mejia, Executive Director

11965 SW 142nd Terrace, Unit 102

Miami, Florida 33186

305-252-5444

[info@cismiami.org](mailto:info@cismiami.org)

[www.cisofmiami.org](http://www.cisofmiami.org)

CIS is the nation’s leading community based organization (CBO), helping kids succeed in school and in life. CIS’ mantra is: Helping schools, helping teachers, helping students. The mission is to champion the connection of needed community resources with schools to help young people successfully learn, stay in school, graduate, and prepare for life. CIS has five (5) basic deliveries: A personal relationship with a caring adult; a safe place; a marketable skill; a chance to give back; and a healthy start (CIS, 2009).

8. The Science National Honor Society (SNHS)   
Board of Directors  
2929 Fountain view

Houston, TX 77057

[www.ScienceNHS.org](http://www.sciencenhs.org/)

This society or organization recognize and encourage students in such areas as English, Art, French, and Spanish. Until now, there has been no national honor society for Science. SNHS will be the prominent scientific organization that will engender a new group of young thinkers who will be the future of industry, research, and scientific exploration for America (SNHS, 2009).

[Sample Initiation Ceremonies](http://www.sciencenhs.org/induction.htm)

[Chapter Science Activity Ideas](http://www.sciencenhs.org/science%20activity.htm)

9. Women of Tomorrow (WOT)

111 NE 1st Street, Suite 912

Miami, FL 33132  
Tel: (305)371-3330

Fax: (305)371-3332

Visit us at <http://www.womenoftomorrow.org>

This organization is currently implemented in High Schools, in Miami-Dade County, Florida and other surrounding counties, in South Florida. W.O.T. serves 2,000 mentees with its network of 250 mentors. WOT has awarded 699 WOT Mentees. WOT accesses many resources and partners with community agencies to meet the needs of its Mentees. Below is a list of resources and partners (WOT, 2009):

* Women in Distress - [www.womenindistress.org](http://www.womenindistress.org)
* Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse - [www.avdaonline.org](http://www.avdaonline.org)
* Planned Parenthood of Greater Miami, Palm Beach and Treasure Coast Counties - [www.plannedparenthood.org](http://www.plannedparenthood.org)
* Suited for Success - [www.dressforsuccess.org](http://www.dressforsuccess.org)

*Family and Children Services for: primary care, education, financial, health, transportation, crisis, homelessness, etc.*

10. The Children’s Trust (CT)

Modesto E. Abety, President &CEO

3150 SW 3rd Avenue (Coral Way)

Miami FL 33129

Phone: (305) 571-5700

Email: [info@thechildrenstrust.org](mailto:info@thechildrenstrust.org)

<http://www.thechildrenstrust.org/>

**The Mission of this organization is t**o improve the lives of all children and families in Miami-Dade County by making strategic investments in their futures. Their Programs are: Academic, after school, arts education, child abuse, prevention, dentals, disabilities, financial planning, health & nutrition, infants & toddlers, insurance access, literacy, mentoring, parenting, pregnancy, safety, sports & fitness, substance abuse prevention, summer camp, teen programs, teen employment, and youth violence prevention (CT, 2009).

Initiatives:

* Out-of-school
* Immunizations
* Transition to Adulthood
* Service Partnership
* Prevention
* Quality counts
* Heart gallery
* Youth Advisory Committee
* Project ARISE
* Health
* 211 HELPLINE
* Violence Prevention
* Resource Networks

11. Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC)

Allyson Adolphson  
Suicide Prevention Specialist  
Florida Office of Drug Control  
Statewide Office of Suicide Prevention, Executive Office of the Governor  
The Capitol, Suite 2105  
Tallahassee, FL 32399  
Tel: 850.922.9350  
Email: [Allyson.Adolphson@eog.MyFlorida.com](mailto:Allyson.Adolphson@eog.MyFlorida.com)

<http://www.sprc.org/about_sprc/index.asp>

The Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC) provides prevention support, training, and resources to assist organizations and individuals to develop suicide prevention programs, interventions and policies, and to advance the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention (SPRC, 2009).

Services and resources available through SPRC include:

* [Best Practices Registry](http://www.sprc.org/featured_resources/ebpp/index.asp)
* [Prevention Support](http://www.sprc.org/featured_resources/ps/index.asp)
* [Customized Information](http://www.sprc.org/featured_resources/customized/index.asp)
* [SPRC/WICHE Suicide Prevention Toolkit for Rural Primary Care](http://www.sprc.org/pctoolkit/index.asp)
* [Online Library](http://library.sprc.org)
* [Calendar of Events](http://www.sprc.org/featured_resources/trainingandevents/calendar/index.asp)

12. Switchboard Helpline

701 SW 27th Avenue, Suite 1000

(305) 358-HELP (4357)

(305) 644-9499 (TTY) or 221, option 4

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More than 180,000 people per year call this service for free:

* confidential telephone counseling
* crisis intervention,
* suicide prevention
* information and referral services

This agency also offers free individual and family counseling services and prevention programs for high-risk youth and their families based in local schools. Counselors are available 24 / 7 / 365, in English, Spanish, and Creole (Switchboard, 2009).

You may call for Hot Topics:

* Budget Cuts
* Swine Flu
* H1N1, Mortgage
* Foreclosures

13. ED.gov U.S. Department of Education

Headquarters, Lyndon Baines Johnson Department of Education Building

Regional Office Building 3, Potomac Center Plaza

Capitol Place, 1990 K Street, Union Center Plaza, and L'Enfant Plaza

Washington, D.C.

1-800-USA-LEARN (1-800-872-5327), Spanish available (se habla espanol)

TTY: 1-800-437-0833

Staff: 1-800-872-5327 (202-401-2000)

<http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/emergencyplan/index.html>

ED's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access. This agency provides information that can help school leaders plan for any emergency (ED, 2009):

* Salmonella Outbreak Linked to Peanut Butter and Peanut Products
* Hurricane Information
* Tips for Helping Students Recovering from Traumatic Events Family Educational Rights and Privacy
* Beef Recall Information
* Federal Disaster Assistance

Crisis Planning Resources

* Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools
* Balancing Privacy and Safety
* MRSA in Schools
* MRSA Skin Infections
* Webcasts on Emergency Management for Schools Training
* Webcast on School Emergency Planning
* Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Grant Program
* Practical Information on Crisis Planning
* Pandemic Flu Preparedness
* Safe and Drug-Free Schools
* Bomb Threat Assessment Guide

14. Miami Rescue Mission (MRM)

Rev. Ronald Brummitt, President

2159 NW 1st Court **·** Miami, Fl 33127  
Tel: 305-571-2273  
**Miami, FL 33242-0620**

This agency serves the Homeless and Needy of South Florida, in Miami-Dade and Broward Counties. Their mission is to reach to the least, the last and the lost in the communities, to inspire hope with human compassion and the Love of God. The mission has a fruitful thrift store, and auctions. Items in your home that are in good condition are always needed for our thrift stores (MRM, 2009).

15. Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF)

Gilda Ferradaz  
Circuit 11 Administrator  
401 N. W. 2nd Avenue  
Miami 33128  
305-377-5055

TDD: 1-800-453-5145

Response Unit: 1-866-76ACCES (762-2237)

The Department offers services in the following program areas:

* [**Abuse Hotline**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse/) - Services for victims of abuse and neglect.
* [**Adoption**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/adoption/)
* [**Adult Protective Services**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/as/)
* [**Child Care**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/childcare/)
* [**Community-Based Care**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/cbc/)
* [**Community Services**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/commserv/)
* [**DCF Publications & Forms**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/publications/)
* [**Developmental Disabilities**](http://apd.myflorida.com/)
* [**Domestic Violence**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/domesticviolence/)
* [**Economic Services/ ACCESS Florida**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/ess/)
* [**Family Safety - Florida's Center for the Advancement of Child Welfare Practice**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/fs-childwelfare.shtml)
* [**Foster Care**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/fostercare/)
* [**Homelessness**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/homelessness/)
* [**Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/publications/icpclibrary.shtml)
* [**Mental Health**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/mentalhealth/)
* [**Refugee Services**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/refugee/)
* [**Strengthening Families**](http://www.myfloridafamilies.com/)
* [**Substance Abuse**](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/mentalhealth/sa/)

*24 Hour**Emergency Numbers – local and national*

0 - OPERATOR (National number)

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| 211 – speed number to Children's Trust Helpline  311- for local services and events  411- to obtain local residential and business telephone numbers  911- to report and call for emergencies of all kind |
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| National Suicide Prevention Hotline 1 800 SUICIDE |

[Abuse Hotline](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse/)  
  1-800-96ABUSE (962-2873)  
[Domestic Violence Hotline](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/domesticviolence/)  
  1-800-500-1119

[Emergency Financial Assistance for Housing Program](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/homelessness/efahp.shtml)  
  1-877-891-6445

Miami Rescue Mission (for the homeless)

1-800-817-HOPE

[EBT Customer Service](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/ebt/)  
  1-888-356-3281

Food Stamp Fraud Hotline  
  1-866-76ACCES (762-2237)

[Report Public Assistance  
Fraud Online](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/access/ReportFraud/MainForm.aspx)

Sun Cap Hotline  
  1-866-762-2237

[Adoption Information](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/adoption/)  
  1-800-96-ADOPT (962-3678)  
  1-904-353-0679 (out of Florida)